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PTA Schoolhouse Scoop

August 28, 2016



Important Dates\*

**Sept 1:** Meet the Teacher Day. 9:00am-9:45am Preschool and Kindergarten. **Please carpool if possible. Parking is limited due to construction.** Spirit Wear will be on sale. Cash or check accepted.

**Sept 1:** Meet the Teacher Day. 10:00am-10:45am Grades 1 & 2. **Please carpool if possible. Parking is limited due to construction.** Spirit Wear will be on sale. Cash or check accepted.

**Sept 5:** Labor Day. School and Offices Closed.

**Sept 6:** Welcome Back! First Day of School. Starts at 9:05am.

**Sept 8:** Room Rep Meeting. Starts at 9:30am. Location TBD.

**Sept 8:** Board of Education Meeting. Wilton High School Professional Library. 7:00pm.

**Sept 15:** Library Volunteer Meeting. Starts at 9:30am in the Library.

**Sept 16:** Library Volunteer Training. Starts at 9:30am in the Library.

**Sept 16:** PTA Sponsors Movie Night Under the Stars. Comstock Lawn. Starts at 7pm.

**Sept 19:** Library Volunteer Training. Starts at 9:30am in the Library.

**Sept 19:** First Grade Open House. Starts at 7pm in the Gym. No children please.

**Sept 21:** Kindergarten Open House. Starts at 7pm in the Gym. No children please.

**Sept 22:** New Parent Coffee. Starts at 9:30 am in the South Cafeteria.

**Sept 22:**  Board of Education Meeting. Wilton High School Professional Library. 7:00pm.

**Sept 24:** Kindergarten Parents’ Social. Trackside Teen Center. 4-6pm. See flyer [**here**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B8rSdN3qbGSKTXY5VlZYOTRjWXc/view?usp=sharing)for ticket information.

**Sept 26:** PTA Meeting. Starts at 9:30am in the South Cafeteria.

**Sept 26:** Second Grade Open House. Starts at 7pm in the Gym. No children please.

**Sept 28-29:**  School Photo Days. Schedule TBD.

\*While we do our best to accurately reflect dates and times of school meetings and events, it is possible that there are changes. Please check the [calendar on edline](http://www.miller-driscollschool.org/pages/wiltonmd/Calendar) for the most up to date information.

School News

✚ **Miller-Driscoll Library Volunteers Needed!**

Miller-Driscoll Library Volunteer Opportunity

![C:\Users\Erica\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary Internet Files\Content.IE5\S1YJV358\MC900048084[1].wmf]()Do you love books? Do you like to organize? Want to work with the kids of Miller-Driscoll on a regular basis throughout the school year? Then, we may have just the opportunity for you!

We are looking for a few new faces to join us in the library next year. The library volunteers are essential to keeping the library running smoothly. It is a unique opportunity that allows you to assist the librarians and the children weekly or biweekly throughout the school year.

We get going very quickly at the beginning of the year so if you are interested in volunteering or have any questions, please contact either **Martha Phelan** (mairhart2000@yahoo.com or 203-761-9288) or **Laura Ryan** (laurajryan@yahoo.com or 203-762-7050), the Miller-Driscoll Library volunteer coordinators. Our Information and Organizational meeting for becoming a library volunteer will be held on September 15th at 9:30 a.m. in the school library with assignments starting the week of September 19th. It’s not that far off!

We look forward to hearing from you soon!

✚ **PTA Volunteer Opportunities for the 2016-2017 School Year**

Interested in helping the PTA with one or more of our great programs for students? Please click on the link to fill out the form and submit. Click [**here!**](http://goo.gl/forms/wHL0plQhQLdKmqcc2)

✚ **School Supplies for Incoming Kindergarteners-Grade 2 for Fall 2016 at MILLER-DRISCOLL**

Click [**here**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B8rSdN3qbGSKQlBCNGs1OWRrc0k/view?usp=sharing) for a list of school supplies for grades K-2. Note, if your pre-ordered your supplies online from School Kidz they will be in your child’s classroom on the first day of school.

Questions? Contact Jackie Couch Jackie.couch13@gmail.com

✚ **The Directory is going digital!**

Exciting changes for the school directory are coming for the 2016-2017 school year! Read all about the new online **district-wide** directory scheduled to go live on September 1st! Click [**here**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B8rSdN3qbGSKRzFHci1hMWVva0k/view?usp=sharing) for all the info!

✚ **Miller-Driscoll PTA Membership**

Membership in the Miller-Driscoll PTA will be ONLINE and PAPERLESS this year! Keep your eyes out for the registration link **on September 1st** to become a Miller-Driscoll PTA member, pay PTA dues, make a Supporting Donation to our Annual Appeal, and view the Miller-Driscoll PTA Directory! Individual memberships will start at just $20 and include immediate access to the online school directory! Enjoy the ability to edit your information in the online directory anytime, add email addresses and cell phone numbers to your family listing, and even download the MobileArq App on your Apple and Android devices for viewing on the go!

✚ **Schedule Change for Parent Math & Reading Nights**

The previously scheduled Math and Reading information nights have been cancelled. There will be one combined session on October 20th. More details in the coming weeks!

✚ **District Email Addresses have changed!**

Please note the wilton.k12.ct.us email is no longer available and/or forwarded after July 1, 2016. New email addresses will remain last name, first initial followed by @wiltonps.org

Example: healyj@wiltonps.org

Ongoing News at Miller-Driscoll

✚ **Show your School Spirit!**

The first Friday in each month is school spirit day where we all show our school spirit. The first spirit day of the 2016-2017 school year is **Friday September 9th**. Spirit Wear will be on sale during Meet the Teacher Day! Cash or check accepted and all proceeds will directly benefit Miller-Driscoll students!

✚ **Lost Property at from the Bus Depot**

Is your child missing a jacket, water bottle or hat? Check out the Bus Depot Lost Property Site and see if any of these items left on buses belong back in your house! <http://wiltonlostproperty.blogspot.com/>

✚ **Box Tops**

Have you ever noticed “Box Tops” on your cereal boxes, packets of flour and yogurt packaging?

Did you know that these tokens can add up to provide fantastic resources for our children? Simply snip these tokens and send them into school with your child. There's a box by the office they can pop them in. For a full list of products carrying the tokens and information on what the tokens can buy for our schools, please visit[www.boxtops4education.com](http://www.boxtops4education.com/).

Important Numbers/Websites

**Office:** 203.762.8678 and 203.762.3374

**Wilton Preschool:** 203.834.4909

**Attendance Line:** 203.834.4890 (8:00 am - 4:30 pm). During non-school hours, call the school’s office.

**Student Transportation of America (Bus) Hotline**: 203.762.8600

**Looking for a Special Bus Assignment for the 2016-2017 school year?**

[Click here](http://www.wilton.k12.ct.us/files/_sLApu_/b138558c7c4ac5d43745a49013852ec4/Specials_Revision_3.pdf) to see a complete schedule of bus assignments and see the last column for Miller-Driscoll bus numbers.

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**Miller-Driscoll\*:** <http://www.edline.net/pages/wiltonmd>

**Wilton School District**: <http://www.wilton.k12.ct.us/pages/Wilton_School_District>

**PowerSchool:** <https://psapp.wilton.k12.ct.us/public/>

**\*\*MDTV\*\* http://k2mdtv.blogspot.com**

**\***Edline contains all PTA information. Use the School Community drop down menu to access all PTA activities and content

\*\*Use the MDTV link to view the morning announcement broadcast each day at 9:00am

Calendars:

**Wilton Public Schools 2016-2107: Click** [**HERE**](http://www.wilton.k12.ct.us/files/_NKBzB_/224e6b1d52415c333745a49013852ec4/2016-17_revised_December_2015.pdf)

**Wilton School District Calendar (Monthly view): Click** [**HERE**](http://www.wilton.k12.ct.us/pages/Wilton_School_District/Calendar)

**Miller-Driscoll School Calendar (Monthly view): Click** [**HERE**](http://www.miller-driscollschool.org/pages/wiltonmd/Calendar)

Schoolhouse Scoop: Deadlines, Policies + Procedures

To submit **School News**, email kerryoray@charter.net. Please put “Schoolhouse Scoop submission” in your subject box.

The next Schoolhouse Scoop newsletter is scheduled for Sunday, September 4th. The deadline for submissions is Wednesday, August 31st.

For deadline and publication dates, click [here](http://www.miller-driscollschool.org/pages/wiltonmd/Our_School/Departments/Miller-Driscoll_PTA/Schoolhouse_Scoop_Newsletter/Schoolhouse_Scoop_Publication_).

For previous issues, click [here](http://www.miller-driscollschool.org/pages/wiltonmd/Our_School/Departments/Miller-Driscoll_PTA/Schoolhouse_Scoop_Newsletter/Schoolhouse_Scoop)